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AUTOS SUBSTITUTED FOR TRAINS IN THE GEORGIA R. R. STRIKE

Machines Are Running Between Fully Fifty Towns and Cities.

NO TRAINS RUNNING ON ENTIRE SYSTEM

NO IMMEDIATE PROSPECT OF RESUMPTION OF SERVICE—GOVERNOR SMITH STILL ENDEAVORING TO SETTLE TROUBLE BY ARBITRATION—TIE-UP OF THE RAILROADS IS CAUSING CONCERN AMONG POSTOFFICE OFFICIALS AT WASHINGTON.

Atlanta, Ga., May 25.—The substitution of automobiles for railroad train service was the fascinating development in today's strike of the Georgia railroad firemen on the question of the seniority of white firemen over negroes. Between fully fifty towns in central and northeast Georgia scores of gaudy automobiles whirled today on schedules, which some times beat those of the big locomotives with their fires out, stood sullen without a wheel moving the length and breadth of Georgia railroad system. The automobile service was mostly a town to town run but there were many machines running seventy miles, or more than a third of the distance from Atlanta to Augusta, the route of the main line of the railroad. Passenger rates in these automobiles were quite unregulated. Some machines could be had from \$4 to \$6 per hour. One party of four chugged into Atlanta to the tune of \$45 for the party for a fast forty mile ride, something over 25c per mile per hour.

DELIVERING MAIL.
The fight of the rural postmasters to deliver their mails became inspiring. Daylight today brought in two rain-soaked mail-splattered postmen from the vicinity of Marietta, carrying heavy sacks of mail after an all night struggle over pitch dark roads in an automobile. A brief stop here, and back they went to ride along far into the night with the return mail.

Division Superintendent Terrell said that the Georgia postmasters have been authorized to use automobiles whenever possible, but that they were not authorized to spend any money for automobiles and they were using commendable ingenuity to obtain rides on automobiles. An automobile mail service was established out of Augusta as far west as Thompson, this afternoon. From Atlanta a hand car loaded with mail sacks was started in the opposite direction.

General Manager Scott, of the Georgia railroad, after a conference with the directors here today, said that he had no statement to make and that he did not know whether Governor Smith's proposal for an arbitration committee of six would be accepted. Mr. Ball, leader of the strikers, said he had no statement to make. From nowhere there was an intimation of violence.

GOV. WANTS ARBITRATION.
Governor Smith has not abandoned his efforts to bring about arbitration by a board of six Georgians. Members of the board of directors of the Georgia railroad have been requested to urge Mr. Scott to accept Governor Smith's proposition, as the firemen already have acceded to it.

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An Applauding Audience Turned to a Fighting Mob

Central City, Ky., May 25.—Five children who took part in the commencement exercises of Mrs. B. C. Boyd's school in this city last night, were burned, it is believed, fatally; the audience was changed from an applauding group into a fighting mob, and several other children were slightly injured. Panic was averted by the coolness of the men in the audience who covered the flaming children with their coats.

The fatally burned: Dorothy Clay, aged 8 years; Zelma Clay, aged 10 years; Louise Marshall, aged 12 years; Nell McGeary, aged 8 years;

Railway Deal Will Not be Tolerated Says Court

St. Louis, Mo., May 25.—Declaring that the process by which the United Railways Company of St. Louis acquired the assets of the St. Louis Transit Company while trying to avoid its obligations, should deceive no one and that "it will not be tolerated" as a defense against damage claims, the St. Louis court of appeals today affirmed David Barry's \$1,200,000 judgment against the United Railways Company which has been eight years in the courts.

The decision is regarded by lawyers as rendering the United Railways Company liable to all outstanding judgments estimated at \$1,500,000 against its predecessors. The decision is final unless some ground can be found for an appeal to the United States supreme court.

Texas Drought Has Not Affected the Wheat Crop

Chicago, May 25.—Private advices received here today stated that harvesting of wheat had begun in three counties of Texas and that the yield would be 14 or 15 bushels to the acre on an average. H. E. Rycroft, a Chicago expert, however, declared that this estimate was fifty per cent. too high, as the prolonged drought in the Lone Star State precluded such a yield.

The announcement did not affect prices in Chicago materially as May wheat on the Board of Trade early

sold at a new high price, \$1.35 1-4. The first garnering of wheat begins in Texas at about this time and is of importance chiefly as marking the beginning of the general harvest.

The great forest of grain in the entire country, when harvested, will leave a great road of stubble approximately of 45,000,000 acres. The latest completed statistics made the yield 634,087,000 bushels in the United States in 1907. The same yield this year would net roughly that number of dollars.

KNEELING IN PRAYER MAN IS SHOT BY A BOY

TRAGEDY IN ARKANSAS CHURCH—BOY HAD SWORN VENGEANCE FOR THE DEATH OF HIS BROTHER.

Leachville, Ark., May 25.—Having sworn vengeance for the murder of his brother, Charles Champ, nineteen years of age, walked up behind Henry Culp while the latter was kneeling in prayer in the church, placed a gun at his head and fired. Champ was arrested here today.

Culp killed the brother of Champ and was acquitted on the plea of the unwritten law. The murder occurred in Missouri, just across the state line.

JACK JOHNSON TO REMAIN.

New York, May 25.—Jack Johnson, the heavyweight champion, has decided to remain in this country and arrange several fights before his coming championship fight with Welsh. Johnson was to sail for England today, but as he had indicated his willingness to fight Kaufman in a few weeks, he decided today to cancel his trip abroad.

HARDWARE MEN MEET.

Milwaukee, Wis., May 25.—One hundred and fifty hardware dealers, representing a membership of 1,300 in the National Retail Hardware Association, gathered in Milwaukee today for a three day's annual convention.

TAFT ABOLISHES COUNCIL OF ARTS.

Washington, May 25.—The council of fine arts, created by President Roosevelt to have charge of the beautification of Washington and pass upon designs of the government buildings, etc., was abolished today by President Taft in an executive order.

MISSISSIPPI NOW ON VOYAGE TO PENSACOLA

BATTLESHIP DEPARTS FROM NATCHEZ, AND IS DUE IN NEW ORLEANS TODAY—WILL LEAVE THURSDAY FOR PENSACOLA.

Natchez, Miss., May 25.—Promptly at 5 o'clock today the big battleship Mississippi swung slowly around in mid-stream as though on a pivot, pointed her nose to the channel and started upon her return journey to salt air.

Fifteen minutes later only her smoke was visible and the trip of the floating fortress up the stream whose name she bears was history. Although it was early when she got away, Natchez was awake. The hills were covered with people, the whistles sounded farewell and more than one dainty lace handkerchief was caught and brought aloft to the port gunway by the marine glances of impressionable young officers.

The return journey will be made at a speed of 18 or 20 knots an hour and New Orleans should be reached early Wednesday. Two hours will be spent on the navy yard dock for coaling, then she will tie up at Jackson avenue until 5 a. m. Thursday morning, when she will sail for Pensacola and Horn Island.

REACHES NEW ORLEANS AHEAD OF HER SCHEDULE

New Orleans, La., May 25.—Several hours ahead of her schedule and having broken all records for speed, the big battleship Mississippi reached the navy yard off here at seven o'clock this evening, having left Natchez at five o'clock this morning for the trip, a distance of 297 miles, she made it in the marvelously short time of fourteen hours.

The trip down the river was marked by as much enthusiasm and interest as was exhibited on the journey up. The levee was lined with people wherever there was a settlement. Salutes were fired, whistles blown, flags waved and bells rung. She will take on enough coal tomorrow to carry her to Pensacola, where she will call for Philadelphia. She leaves here Thursday morning at five o'clock.

COTTON MEN ARE IN SESSION IN RICHMOND

PASS RESOLUTIONS APPROVING THE NEW ORLEANS COTTON EXCHANGE AS A MARKET FOR SPOT COTTON.

Richmond, Va., May 25.—The American Cotton Manufacturers' Association began its convention here today. The early part of the session was taken up with an address of welcome by Mayor Richardson, the reply by L. D. Tyson, of Knoxville, and the annual address of President T. H. Renis.

At this afternoon's meeting resolutions were adopted by the association declaring its approval of the New Orleans cotton exchange as a market for spot cotton and deprecating the speculative element alleged to be in control of the New York exchange. In a discussion which preceded this action, a sharp attack was made on the Western Union Telegraph Co. by members of the committee and of the New Orleans exchange, for what is claimed to be unfairness to the New Orleans market and discrimination in favor of New York.

Cone Invited Dayton Into the Yard to Settle the Matter.

TROUBLE OVER THE R. R. LIABILITY BILL

DAYTON HAD MOCKED SOME OF CONE'S STATEMENTS—THE HOUSE CAME NEAR PASSING AMENDMENT TO FINANCE BILL PROVIDING THAT NOTHING LESS THAN PINT OF LIQUOR CAN BE SOLD—COUNTY UNIFORMITY TEXT BOOK BILL PASSES.

Tallahassee, May 25.—Sensations made their appearance in the senate this afternoon during the arguments for and against the Broome bill relating to the liability of railway companies having relief departments for their employees. The consideration of the bill was continued until tomorrow.

President Hudson took the floor and delivered one of the most eloquent addresses of the session in behalf of the measure. Senator Johnson also spoke regarding the source of the bill.

They had intimated that it was prepared by lawyers before its introduction by Senator Broome, and Senator Dayton expressed great surprise at the president taking the floor and saying what he did about himself and Senator Johnson. Senator Buckman delivered a very forceful address against the bill, as did also Senator Humphries.

THE TROUBLE STARTS.
Senator Cone made an impassioned speech in its behalf. This was what led to the trouble. Senator Dayton, while making further remarks, took occasion to kind of mock some of the statements made by the senator from Lake City.

"As he is talking about me that way," questioned Cone rising to his feet. "If he wants to cut up to any monkey shines with me he can just step down in the yard," he continued when he understood the affirmative to his question.

Later he directed some strong remarks against the senator. The senate refused to indefinitely postpone the bill by a large vote.

SENSATION IN HOUSE.
The entire afternoon today was devoted by the house to the consideration of the general finance and taxation bill, the house going into a committee of the whole.

The biggest sensation was when Davis, of Madison, offered an amendment providing that licensed liquor dealers should not be allowed to sell less than a pint at a time to a person. The amendment was only killed by the very hardest work of its opponents.

TEXT BOOK BILL.
By an unexpected turning of the tide the house this morning on a reconsideration passed the Duke county uniformity of text books bill by a vote of 36 to 26.

The cash primary bill was also passed to third reading after a long fight by a vote of 46 to 16, on a motion to indefinitely postpone. The house memorial by Representative Moore and asking for an appropriation for the improvement of the harbor at Carrabelle, was passed.

Representative Richbourg introduced an inheritance tax bill and Representative Alexander a measure providing for the placing of a statue of Senator William James Bryan in the hall of fame at Washington.

FOURNOY'S CO-EDUCATION BILL.
Shortest of the bills of the session but one of the most important, is Senator Flournoy's co-education bill, which is as follows:

"A bill to be entitled an act providing for the co-education of persons of the same race in all the schools, colleges and universities of this state."

"Be it enacted by the legislature of the state of Florida:

"Section 1. From and after the passage of this act all schools, colleges and universities of this state shall be open to students of both sexes of the same race.

"Section 2. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with the provisions of this act be and the same are hereby repealed.

"Section 3. This act shall take effect immediately upon its passage and approval by the governor, or upon its becoming a law without his approval."

THE SENATE.
Twenty-nine members were present when the senate was called to order at 10 o'clock.

Bills were introduced as follows:

Senate concurrent resolution No. 13. McMullen, memorial to congress for survey from St. Johns to Hillsboro as route for ship canal.

Senate bill No. 493. Withers, authorizing Unatilla school district to issue bonds.

Bills on second reading:

Senate bill No. 305. Baker, of the 26th, relating to exercise of right of eminent domain. Indefinitely postponed.

No. 377. Miller, authorizing and providing for the issuance of county

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To Take Sheriff Before the U. S. Supreme Court

Washington, May 25.—Upon Major J. M. Wright, marshal of the supreme court of the United States, will fall the duty of bringing before the court Sheriff Shipp and the other Chattanooga men who were yesterday pronounced guilty of contempt of the court because of their supposed participation in the lynching in 1905 of the negro prisoner, Ed. Johnson, after the supreme court had taken cognizance of his case. The men are now at liberty on their own recognizance,

but it is not apprehended that there will be any difficulty in obtaining custody of them. Ordinarily Major Wright deputizes the local United States marshal to serve his warrants and it is probable that course will be pursued, and that the marshal for the eastern district of Tennessee will accompany the prisoners to Washington. Their bonds will insure their freedom until next Tuesday when the sheriff and his five co-defendants will be arraigned before the court, and each and all of them receive the sentence of the tribunal.

HARD FIGHT IN SENATE, ALL NIGHT SESSION

TACTICS OF THE CORPORATION-ISTS TO DELAY LEGISLATION IS RESENTED AND A CLASH OF FORCES HAS RESULTED.

Tallahassee, May 25.—Following several days of most strained conditions, the senate tonight, under the leadership of the so-called anti-corporation element, is holding the alleged corporationists down to what it now seems will prove an all-night session.

For several days it has been noised about that the so-called corporationists are endeavoring to block all legislation by dilatory tactics in order to prevent certain measures coming to a vote. This caused resentment and last night a caucus was held, when it was decided to apply the water cure. A night session was held tonight, and when a motion to adjourn was made at 10 o'clock, it was promptly voted down. Repeated motions were turned down and the minority then discovered that they were up against something. The chair then ruled that motions could not be in order until business had been transacted. Following this the senate has settled down to the calendar and after a measure is acted upon a motion to adjourn is made, the roll call is demanded and the motion to adjourn is voted down.

It is understood that the majority will hold the senate in session until daylight. It is the first time in the history of the state that such a thing has happened.

HAD NOT ADJOURNED AT 1:30 THIS MORNING.

Tallahassee, May 26.—At 1:30 o'clock this morning Senator Johnson made a motion for adjournment, which was voted down by even a larger vote than previous. Indications are the senate will be in session when the sun rises.

LOAN SHARK BILL FOUGHT IN THE SENATE

AFTER A FIGHT OF TWO HOURS, HOWEVER, BEARD STEERS IT THROUGH TO THIRD READING.

Tallahassee, May 25.—After a two hours' discussion Senator Beard tonight steered the Stokes loan shark bill through the senate to third reading. Senator Buckman said he favored killing the "loan sharks," but endeavored to have an amendment adopted excepting "sharks" from the bill. This was killed, however.

The Miller constitutional amendment requiring the resignation of the governor upon his entering the campaign for congress or the United States senate, was passed to third reading.

WRECK ON M. & O.

Meridian, Miss., May 25.—Mobile and Ohio passenger train No. 1 was wrecked early today three miles north of Shubuta, running into a washout, the tender, engine, express, baggage and mail cars rolling down an embankment into the water. C. T. Rabley, of St. Louis, express messenger, was slightly injured. The Chickasaw river has risen 22 feet in the last twelve hours.

NEGRO TAKEN FROM OFFICERS AND LYNCHED

MOB OF THREE HUNDRED UNMASKED MEN STORMED JAIL AT PINE BLUFF, ARK., AND TOOK MAN WHO ATTEMPTED AN ASSAULT.

Pine Bluff, Ark., May 25.—Lovett Davis, a negro, charged with attempting criminal assault on a sixteen-year-old white girl here Friday night, was taken from the jail at midnight by an unmasked mob of three hundred men and hanged to a telegraph pole on one of the principal streets.

Just as he was being raised high above the street the rope broke and the body fell to the ground, but was immediately raised, again and left hanging.

Early in the night fearing violence, the sheriff secreted a number of heavily armed deputies in the jail, but these were soon overpowered and the jail broken into with sledge hammers. Several prominent men made speeches endeavoring to dissuade the mob, but to no avail.

There was no excitement and not a shot was fired.

STORM CAUSES TROUBLE.

Montgomery, Ala., May 25.—Wire trouble as a result of heavy winds has almost invalidated business from Montgomery to the south, though there are no reports of special damage. Heavy rains are reported from everywhere in that section. Meridian, Miss., having 4.88 inches; Mobile, 1.88; Evergreen, 2.10, and Montgomery 1.85.

AN EXECUTIVE ORDER REGARDING HOLIDAYS.

Washington, May 25.—President Taft today issued an executive order directing that when national holidays fall on Sunday all government employes are entitled to a holiday and shall be granted leave on the Monday following.

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Proposed Tariff Rate May Prove Unconstitutional

Washington, May 25.—That the maximum and minimum rate provision of the senate bill may prove unconstitutional on the ground that it delegates legislative powers to the executive, and that the tariff bill as amended by the senate may, as a result of such a decision, prove null and void and the Dingley rates be continued, were some of the assertions made today by Senator Shively, of Indiana, in a speech in the senate on the tariff.

Many Thoroughfares Covered With Water Several Feet Deep.

RAINFALL FOR 12 HOURS 2.55 INCHES

SEWERS WERE FILLED TO SUCH AN EXTENT THAT MANHOLE COVERS WERE LIFTED AT MANY PLACES—WATER IN WESTERN SECTION OF CITY, ESPECIALLY ON GOVERNMENT AND INTENDENCIA STREETS, REACHED FLOORS OF HOUSES.

With the water in Butcher Pen pond, in the northwestern portion of the city, reaching to a height only attained previous to its being drained by the present sewerage system, with the tremendous volume of water from Long Hollow, in the northeastern part of the city, and with numerous other contributing sources, the storm water sewer recently installed in Pensacola was unable to carry off the vast amount of rain which fell here during Monday night and yesterday morning and as a result several streets were rendered impassable and in a number of cases the backward flow of the water through the sewer was forced from the manholes.

On West Government street, between Reus and DeVilliers, the water formed a pond fully fifty feet wide and extending north and south, reached to the floors of houses in that vicinity. People were unable to leave their homes unless they waded, the sidewalks being covered with water.

On West Intendencia street, between Reus and Barcelona, conditions were about the same as on Government street.

At the pumping station of the city water works plant the floor in the room was under water and the streets in the immediate vicinity were veritable lakes.

Near Christ church, on North Palafox street, the water covered the tracks of the Pensacola Electric Company to a depth of nearly one foot. Officials of the company attempted to relieve the situation at this point by pumping the water into a manhole, but Captain of Police Wilde ordered the work stopped on the grounds that no permit had been secured to carry on the work.

Beginning at a point near Long Hollow and following the course of an abandoned ditch running from that point in a southwesterly direction to the bay, a great many streets and yards were flooded by the failure of the sewer to carry off the large volume of water.

No serious damage to property or household goods has been reported as a result of the overflow.

EXPLANATION OF FAILURE.
One explanation of the failure of the storm sewer to carry off the water was made yesterday by Mayor Goodman to a representative of The Journal, the information, the mayor said, being furnished him by George Rommel, resident engineer.

This explanation was that when the storm sewer was laid it was not intended to drain Butcher Pen pond, but since its construction the water from that place enters the storm sewer.

According to the records of the local weather bureau, 86 inches of rain fell yesterday in 36 minutes, the period being from 9:07 to 9:43 a. m.

The total amount of rainfall from

Presbyterians Go to Lewisburg for Meeting

Savannah, Ga., May 25.—The general assembly of the Presbyterian church today accepted the invitation of Lewisburg, Va., to hold its next meeting there. There were also invitations from Louisville, Ky., and Texarkana, Ark. The morning was taken up with hearing reports. As a special order for tomorrow morning was placed the report of the special

committee upon the memorial as to whether polygamists in foreign mission fields may belong to the Presbyterian church. Dr. S. L. Morris, of Atlanta, delivered an address on the relation of Calvin and Calvinism to missions. Tonight George H. Denny, president of Washington and Lee University, will deliver an address on Calvin's contribution to educational progress.